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SUBJECT: REQUEST LEAHY VETTING FOR PRC ATTENDEES AT

SOVEREIGN CHALLENGE CONFERENCE

11. (SBU) Post requests the Department's assistance in vetting the following candidates from the Chinese Defense Attache's Office in Washington, D.C., who have been nominated by the U.S. Special Operations Command for participation in the Sovereign Challenge Conference, pursuant to the Leahy Amendment and Foreign Assistance Act. Post has no derogatory information on these individuals.

12. (SBU) Names of proposed participants for the Sovereign Challenge Conference are as follows:

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